

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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November 22, 2022

The Honorable David Baublits Town of Eatonville PO Box 309 Eatonville, WA 98328

RE: Town of Eatonville Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Amendment –

Conditional Approval

Dear Mayor Baublits:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Town of Eatonville for its efforts in developing the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. It is obvious that a significant effort was invested by your staff and engaged community.

Ecology conditionally approves the Town's SMP periodic review amendment.

As we have discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology considered the record and concluded that portions of the proposal were not consistent with applicable laws and rules. The findings and conclusions that support our decision are contained in Attachment A. The specific changes identified as necessary to make the amendment approvable are detailed in Attachment B.

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.090(2)(e), at this point, the Town may:

- Agree to the proposed changes as shown in Attachment B; or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review the alternative(s) submitted for consistency with the purpose and intent of the changes originally developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act (SMA);

Final Ecology approval will occur when the Town and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and guideline requirements.

Please provide your response within 30 days to me at laura.watson@ecy.wa.gov.

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Thank you again for your efforts. We look forward to concluding the SMP periodic review amendment process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified, please contact our regional shoreline planner, Heather Bush, at 425-417-6982 or Heather-Bush@ecy.wa.gov.

Yours truly,

Laura Watson

Director

Enclosures

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